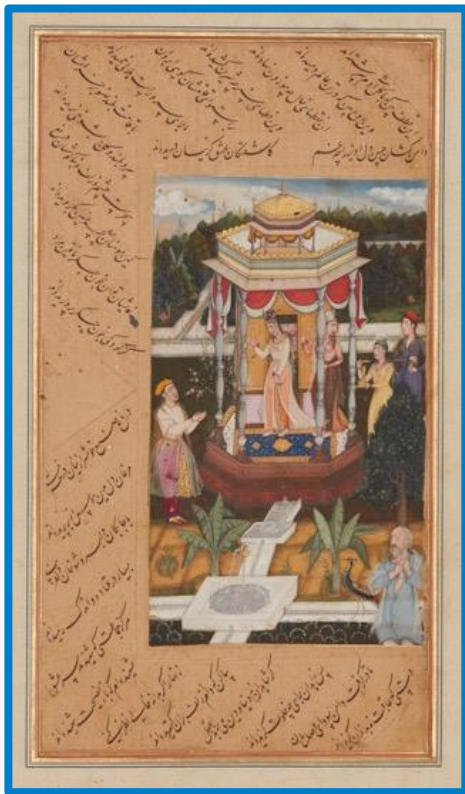


Look Closer: Hands-On Activity



Write or Design Your Very Own Nature-Inspired creation

This 17th-century painting, show two young people very much in love.

The Persian poem written around the picture describes the lovers by comparing them to beautiful aspects of nature.

Comparing the features of human lovers to the beauty of nature is a popular approach in Persian poetry. For example, their physical features are compared to an elegant cypress tree, their eyebrows to the crescent moon, their eyes to almonds, their faces to beautiful flowers, and their lips to flower buds!

Hands-On Activity

Think about someone you love very much and think about how you would describe that person using the beautiful things you know in nature.

Or, use items that you find in nature to create a design.

Once your activity is complete, take a photo and share it with us to this address: learn@agakhanmuseum.org

Make sure your photo is 10 mg or smaller. Selected photos may be posted to the Aga Khan Museum's website or social channels.



Image: **A Prince and his Beloved**, folio from the Manuscript of *Kulliyat*, (Collected Works) of Sa'di (d. 1292), India, Agra, ca. 1604, opaque watercolour, ink, and gold on paper, H.41.8 x W.26.2 cm, AKM284.21